United States Department of State

The Legal Advisor
Washington, D.C. 20520

Dear Mr. Stockman:

In accordance with Executive Order 11030, as amended, I am transmitting to you a proposed Executive order to amend Executive Order 12323 of September 22, 1981 establishing the Presidential Commission on Broadcasting to Cuba.

The Commission results from the recommendation of an Interagency Group on Radio Broadcasting to Cuba in which OMB participated. Established in accordance with the Federal Advisory Committee Act, as amended (5 U.S.C. App. I), the Commission will advise the President and this Department on various questions relating to proposed broadcasting to Cuba.

Members of the Interagency Group were aware of the need to ensure that the largely private sector members of the Commission had access to authoritative information on Cuba that might not be available from public sources, and guidance on relevant aspects of Administration foreign policy. Pursuant to recent discussions with the NSC staff, we have determined that this objective would best be met by designating the Assistant Secretary of State for Interamerican Affairs as a special adviser to the Commission on such matters, and providing for his attendance or that of his designee at meetings of the Commission or its Executive Committee. The enclosed draft Executive order would accomplish this result.

We would hope that the proposed Executive order could be issued simultaneously with the announcement of the members of the Commission.

Will House

Davis R. Robinson

Enclosure:

As stated

The Honorable

David A. Stockman,

Director, Office of

Management and Budget.